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"CATARACT HOUSE," Sunday, Sept. 2, 1866. To the Han, TH-RL-W W-D. Room No. 11, A-t-r H-se, New York.

DEAR TH-RL-W:—
At last we have got to the Falls, And my borses may rest for a day in the stalls, Thus far, all's as smooth as your olliest sentence, Not a word has been said that can bring us repent-We've had a clear road and a sunshiny sky,

And everything's lovely and the goose may hang
high!

My, team, well in hand, is so trained to its paces, That our radical triends baven't dared show their

faces,
With A-DY and G-DE-N for leaders, you know,
The one rough and restive, the other too slow,
And with GE-NT and the ADM-R-L mated behind.
Both good steady pullers (when drove with a blind),
I have sat on the box with the ripbons in hand, And pushed them thus far on the journey we planned.

Years ago, my old tutor, when things weren't so thriving,
And you gave me first rules in political driving,
You hardly expected—and how could I dream?—

That I ever should happen to guide such a team! Ere this you have learned how I handle the iash, Of our York three-mile heat and our Albanv dash, How at Auburn I laid on a braid rather thick, Put my thumb to my nose, and cried, like Saint Nick:— "Now ADM-R-L! now GR-NT! now G-DE-N and

Andy! On! R-se-u, on! ST-EM-N, on! C-ST-R my dandy! We're of to Chicago; keep pace large and small: New dash away, dash away, dash away ali!"

As for A-DY, nigh-leader, I wouldn't, for double His worth, to train him again take the trouble. Betwixt you and me, he's of rather low breed (A cross of Poor White with a Tennessee steed), And so stubborn and tricky so dogged and wiful, The green who wou d guide him indeed must be

He's proud to the servant, but stoops to the master; Just bid him go slower, he's sure to go faster; He'll kick his own feeders, bolt shy or the course— A legular chuck-headed, a plebeian horse! But I've broke him to saddie, and ride him each day, And teach him his steps when the rest are away; And in harness, as sure as there's virtue in leather, We'll go to good luck or the devil together. Dear me! times have changed since I went on this

With a cart fu'l of principles heaped for a load, And on our white streamers our followers saw 'Irrepressible Conflict,' or read "Higher Law." Well, we're getting in years, but are never too old To handle new ribbons or take a new hold;
"My Policy" now is the motto to win.
Make friends with all Rebels and let the South in; To recant, there is always a way, where the will is-Quote Tempora mutantur, et S-w-RD in illis.

As to A-DY, I say, it's well for our game Just to put himpn training, and enter his name For the National Sweepstakes, A. D. '68, And to tickle his pasterns, and keep his head straight; He's the invorite, now, with the outsiders' ring-The gamesters, and trimmers, and that sort of

thing— But once we have made up our own little books, And the jockeys grow tired of his manners and And the season draws near for the Washington

We'll put up another, I guess, in his place; Eh, Th-RL-w, old boy, the great Reconstructor,
May one of these days learn to know his conductor,
When certain new methods and plans come to pass,
And this big stalking horse finds he's turned out to

But to drop tropes and figures, and come to plain text, Let's see what's been doing, and what's to do next. Or our progress thus far you know the whole story, The speeches, the dinners, processions and glory. Ere we left the Wh-te H-se (hearing A-Dy rehearse For the last time his lessons, page, chapter, and

And explaining in full every point that we'd planned Should make at each piace), "Sir," said I, to A-DY, "Each man to his post; 'twere as well, I've been thinking, That you do the talking, and I do the drinking—

I'm safer in that line than you"—just then GR-NT Came in with a puff, and his eye half askant. And said, "Ihat's all right; and if you'll do the joking And hand-shaking business, why I'll—do the smok-So all was arranged; but thus far on the route,

It must be contessed, the people turn out Quite as much to see GR-NT and the ADM-R-L as we, And con't cheer very loud for the old Tennessee. Now, speaking of GR-NT, I am sometimes uncertain Of smoke, and in doubt, as we speak from the car, What he'll say when at last he puts out his cigar.

At Delmonico's, once, I made sure he'd have spoke
But his widest mouth-opening ended in smoke; Now they say that I love a Havana (indeed Old comrade, you know how I cling to my Weed), But for Gn-ar—though he seems to have joined our

fraternity,
With his smoke-begrimed beard and his strange taciturnity—
In the end, my dear friend, we should sing rather

If the warrior-chief were outflanking us all! Well, the rest have just crossed to the Canada side, To see where the kenians raided and died— (I'm airaid that we missed it in stepping between The blue-nosed provincials and bold Boys in Green Somehow, in the cheering that's just now in vozue
We don't hear so much of that sweet Irish brogue).— While I sit in my champer, inditing this letter To my trusty companion and ancient abetion. Good-natured of Douglas, to one as he did.

And to leave us of one of our rivals well rid, With a handsome excuse for a lengthened oration From the East to the West, at the cost of the nation! We'll go down to St. Louis, and come around home By the Grand Southern route, since all roads lead to Things are turned; what a change from the future you'd fix on, That I should be cheered South of Mason and

Dixon. Have they come to our side, or we shifted to them? A delicate point—howsoever, ahem!— We so in good company, since Brother B-ch-R Bids fair to be Davis's favorite preacher; 'Twasta master maneuvre—to make him speak ont;
Since has letter to the veland he can't face about.

It was Walpole—himself, they say, not over-nice—
Who said "All these people at last have their price;" After this we may learn that they've bought Plymouth Rock,
And set it up South for an auctioneer's block,
From which, in the old Charleston mart, we shall

Of vagabond treedman sold out by the year!

But, while we are stumping it all through the land, You fellows at home have got plenty in hand; Not just now at New York; for I'm not much afraid The tradesmen will injure their dear Southern trade; But I wonder what sort of Executive ditty Little R-YM-ND will sing to his Union Committee. And look to the Senate! Oh yes, not to mention The Loyalists' meeting in this week's concention, You've got your hands full, and must deal out once

The cards that we never so shuffled before. Have your eye on the placemen, a close watch on SM-THE, But I need not tell you how to handle the scythe, Not you, who have cropped multitudinous heads, And rolled men in and out of the National beds.

Keep a sharp eye on R-ym-nd; you know all his How he's hopping around like the Devil on sticks, With his Rose in his button-hole, jaunty and neat, And his horse in the Park, and his triends on "t

Poor fellow! I fear that he'll want to shy off, he Poor fellow! I ten't that he'll want to shy off, he Has all the settings, and none of the coffee, Meets the hand of one party, the boot of the other, And still turns around like a man and a brother. If the Loya sts' Meeting as much of a muster, He'll be backing and filing, in spite of his bluster; Just keep him whipped in, and, wherever you go, Don't stay long away from the shop in Park Row. But the dinner-bells rung, says CH-DW-SK, our

So no more to day from your own B-LLY S-WARD. P. S.—It you're reading, just try a few snatches From my book, lately printed, of foreign despatches; I flatter myself they will go to posterity— Instorical models of terseness and verity.

S. NUMBER 2 .- A good joke on old W-LL-s Who sticks to his place like a fool's cap and bells, When the knights of the needle, that queer de

gation,
Surganded the head of their crait and the nation,
Quota a voice from the crowd, "Who's that jolly
add own?"
And another, "It must be a different fowl.
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This morning, pursuant to the invitation extended by the Union League, a large number of the delegates to the great Convention of Southern Unionists took passage at Chesnut street wharf on the steamer John A. Warner, which had been specially chartered by the League for a visit to the iron-clad navy at League Island. The leading spirits of the Convention were on board, and the honors of the occasion were done by his Honor Mayor McMichael and Charles Gibbons, Esq., the President of the Union

League Club. Shortly before 11 o'clock the steamer shoped her moorings, and was headed up the stream. As she started from the pier, Hermann's Satterlee Band struck up "John Brown," amid the applause of the excursionists. The steamer passed up the river as far as the Richmond coal wharves, and then rounding about, made the entire stretch of the city front. There was a stiff breeze blowing from the South, to the great gratification of all on board, until at last it carried away the large American flag of the Warner. At this mishap many of the party called loudly on the Captain to turn about and pick up his colors. Time was too pressing for a display of sentimental devotion to the flag, and so the Captain kept upon his course, pausing again at Chesnut street wharf to make good the loss the steamer had sus-

tained. Arriving at League Island, an effort was made to board the New bronsides and the Dictator, in turn; but for some reason it did not succeed, and the delegates were forced to view those seadogs from a distance. The steamer kept on down the river a mile or two beyond the mouth of the Schuylkill, and then started on the return

At this point the guests were invited to partake of a light collation, watch had been pre. pared on the main deck. Two beer barrels were turned on end, and over these a gangplank was placed. On this primitive and melegant table the cloth was spread. At either end was a bowl, rivalling in dimensions the legs of the table on which stood. In the bowl was a mixture which, to the naked eye, much resembled lemonade, but which, as we were informed by certain persons who ought to have known the truth, was "no such thing," This mixture is said to have been concocted by W. J. Taylor, Esq., and Captain W. B. Gallagher, and was what now passes under the title of "Union League Punch." Crackers and cheese completed the victualling outfit. Impartial justice was done the affair, if we might judge from the eager, scrambling crowd which blockaded every passage to the

table: By-and-by there was an uproar and a shout, and then we noticed that the Mayor had taken his stand at our end of the plank. Involuntarily the glasses were placed upon the table, and crackers and cheese dropped upon the floor. Seeing which, the Mayor exclaimed: -

Speech of Mayor McMichael. Oh! no, gentlemen, don't stop! Go on! Go on! Take something more, and never mind me. (Laughter.) A Voice-Is that the Mayor ?

His Honor-It is. (Laughter and cheers) A Voice-I did not know he was such a little fellow: he's under size. (Laughter.) His Honor .- Show me that man; he must be

six feet high. (Laughter.) Mayor McMichael then said: -Gentlemen, however much I may have regretted my absence from the city some ten days ago, I shall have no cause to regret my presence on this occasion. (Applause.) I am, indeed, happy to be here to-day. And I may say we are all greatly delighted to have had you with us. And more than this, we are all delighted with what you have done. (Cheers.) We will show you by our votes in the October election, as we have already shown you by our voices, that our sympathies are wholly with the loyal men of the South. We appreciate the sufferings you endured during the war, and we will show you by our ballots, as we have already shown you by our bullets, that we are on your side. (Vociferous cheers.) The moral sense of the great American people has been so moved by what you have endured, that they are with you

and for you, heart and soul. (Cheers.) As to President Johnson, his course during the past six months has done more to strengthen the hands of the Republican party than ail its chosen leaders have been able to accomplish, (Cheers,) Although I do not wish to speak disrespectfully of the President of the United States. I will say, God forbid that another man should ever be seated in the Presidential chair who would so far torget his principles and pledges as President Johnson has done! (Cheers.) And God forbid that we should ever again have a Secretary of State who would degrade his high office in the way that the

present one does ! (Cheers.) A Voice-Won't your Honor take another punch?

His Honor-You have had enough already (Laughter.) The Mayor then resumed:-We all now join our hearts, our hands, and our voices in tendering you an earnest welcome; and if you ever come amongst us again, we will try our best to treat you even better than we have this time.

The Mayor then picked his way out of the crowd, which joined in hearty cheers for his Honor and the Union League. Toast by Colonel Moss.

Colonel Moss, of Missouri, then elbowed his way up to the table, and proposed the following toast:-"Our Philadelphia friends, who have bestowed

lovel men came finto town; and the people of Philadelphia, who can take care of them-selves without the aid of the Mayor, when Re-

b-is are among them!" The toast was drunk with hearty rounds of cheers, and then a great cry was made for Governor Hamitton, who appeared at the table

and spoke as follows:-Speech of Governor Hamilton, Gentlemen, I am a prisoner of war; I woul know your will.

A Voice-We want a good, sound speech, Well, then, when we met here in Convention, we loyal men of the South expected to find no obstruction to an outspoken expression of feeling. Judge of my surprese and disappointment when I found here a tow Northern men who thought more of the rown election to Congress than they did of alleviating our condition at

home. They say that if we expressed ourselves

in an open manner they feared they would

lose their elections in the North. But we have no such tears. (Cheers.) We were auxious to do impartial justice to all men, placing ourselves upon the broad rock of eternal truth. (Cheers.) Men made in the image of their God had been kept in slavery for two hundred years; but they have at last been made free, and brought into the fold of the Union as free men. Why should Frederick Douglass be denied any right that is enjoyed by

one of us? (Cheers,) Oh, but they say "It is not expedient." But I have learned by the sad experience of five years that truth is the fittest thing to be spoken on all occasions. Justice has never suffered in the sight of God, (Cheers.) Let us, then, no longer give our enemies in the Old World the right to say-"You proclaim freedom and justice to all men, but in your practice give the lie to your pro-

fessions!" (Prolonged applause.) Our past example has done much to alleviate the condition of the down-trodden of the South: and now, by the grace of God, every man in our midst who has a true heart, and is willing to shed his blood for the salvation of his country, of whatever nationality or color he may be, is our brother, our friend, our fellow-citizen, and entitled as such to the same privileges as any one of us.

Governor Hamilton then retired, amidst vociferous applause.

Remarks by Edward C. Knight, Esq. The health of Edward C. Knight, Esq., a member of the Union League, and one of the Committee of Thirteen appointed by that body to welcome the delegates to the Convention of Loyal Southerners, was then proposed.

In response, that gentleman appeared and made a few appropriate remarks, in the course of which he stated that on the next occasion of such a gathering in the city, a heartier welcome by far would be extended them than they have this time received. (Cheers.)

A Voice-In God's name, what will it be like?

(Laughter and applause.) By this time the Warner had reached Chesnut street on her return, and the entertainment

the whole country!

Thus ends the great Convention.

was brought to a close by a double round of

cheers for the uncompromising Union men of

The Vermont Election. MONTPELIER, Vt., September 8.-The Hon. Portus Baxter, the regular Republican caudidate for Congress in the Third Congressional District, has about 2000 plurality over Hoyt, the Independent candidate, but has not a majority over Hoyt and Bingham, Democrat. A plurality elects on the next trial, on November 7.

Latest Markets by Telegraph. NEW YORK, Sept en ber 8 .- Cotton quiet at 33 2350 tor middlings. Flour advanced 10.25c. Sa es of 9000 bbls. at \$5.40.211 for S:ate, \$10.85.212.50 for Ohio. \$5.40.210 for Western, and \$10.50.215.50 for Southern. Wheat advanced \$25c; area of 13,000 bushes at \$2.70 for new State Corn advanced 1c.; sales unimportant. Pork heavy at \$52.12j. Lard dull. Whisky dull.

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New York, September 8.—Stocks are better; Chicago and nock Island, 105); Illinois Central Scrip, 122; Michigan Southern, 84); New Yorz Central, 103); Reading, 115; Hudson River, 1211; Canton, 52;; Virginia 6s, 71; Erie, 70]; Western Union, 58; Bosion Water Power, 31; Ireasury Notes, 106; 10-40s, 98; 5 20s, 1111; Gold, 146]. Philada. Stock Exchange Sales, Sept. 8

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SEPTEMBER 8, 1866.

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CEORGE H. BOKER,

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